

happy new year

Neighbors,

As 2015 comes to a close, we find our world struggling on many fronts. Uncertainty and fear are rampant, so says the news. It is important, in times like these, to have a calm and safe environment to come home to. It's a place to recharge and find comfort. I believe that Janet and I found that place in Eastern Gardens. We have a haven from which we can escape the hectic pace of the world and do things like chat with our neighbors, bar-be-que on weekends, and enjoy the pool. Even while in Hawaii this last year, our thoughts of home were here, in this little oasis.

Now, Eastern Gardens has had its share of upset and change this year, too. As with all change, it can be worrisome, raise questions, and disturb our sense of peace. New faces are on the board, a new management company is in the office, and a new maintenance man is on-site. It's a lot all at once, for sure.

Some things haven't changed:

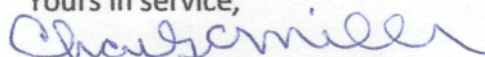
- We are all still here, living side-by-side, enjoying the quiet community we all cherish.
- The board members are still our neighbors.
- The management company is committed to making our community successful.
- The maintenance man is responsive and competent.

This new year has the chance to see better things for many of us and for our community. As we come together in January to vote, I would like to ask us all to remember our neighbors and our community. How can we support each other and continue to have Eastern Gardens be a place of peace and tranquility? Many people, wiser than I, have said that peace and charity must begin at home. Perhaps the spirit of this holiday season, where we are all encouraged to be kinder than usual to one another, can carry us into the new year and beyond.

The future of this community, *our* community, depends on us all working together for our betterment. Let us strive to make the *unity in our community* stronger so that we can have many more years of summer bar-be-ques and chats poolside.

The vote is January 8. Please... we need all of our community to make this a peaceful home for us all. I encourage you to vote, to let your voice be heard, to join us in strengthening the unity of this beautiful sanctuary we call home.

Yours in service,



Charles Miller